



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
: Examiner: Q. Grainger  
SHINYA YAMAMOTO, et al. )  
: Group Art Unit: 2852  
Application No.: 09/650,752 )  
: Notice of Allowance: June 7, 2004  
Filed: August 29, 2000 )  
: Confirmation No. 2467  
For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS )  
COMPRISING MEANS FOR DETECTING :  
AN AMOUNT OF DEVELOPER CONTAINED )  
IN A DEVELOPER CONTAINER, A :  
MEMORY FOR STORING THE AMOUNT )  
DETECTED BY THE DETECTING MEANS, :  
AND CONTROL MEANS FOR UPDATING )  
THE INFORMATION STORED IN THE :  
MEMORY ) August 3, 2004

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Request for Acknowledgment and Entry of July 22, 2004 Amendment After Allowance

Sir:

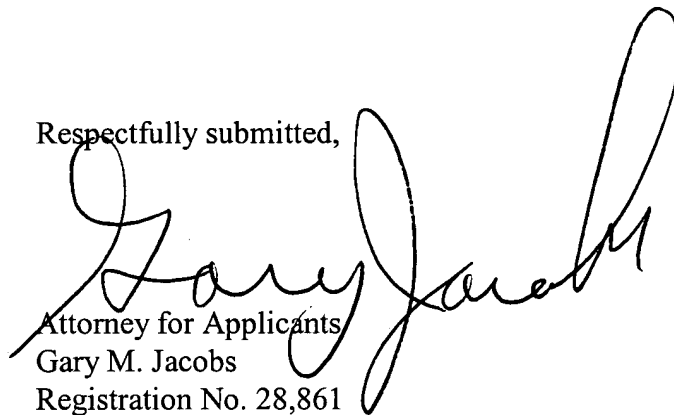
Applicants filed an Amendment After Allowance on July 22, 2004. To date, Applicants have not received any indication that this Amendment has been considered or entered.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner issue a paper acknowledging receipt of the July 22, 2004 Amendment After Allowance. And, since the Amendment After Allowance merely corrects minor informalities in the substitute specification without adding new matter, Applicants also request that this Amendment be entered in

accordance with MPEP § 714.16. For the Examiner's convenience, attached is a duplicate, signed copy of the July 22, 2004 Amendment After Allowance, and a stamped postcard receipt establishing the filing of this document on that date.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gary Jacobs", written in a cursive style. The signature is positioned over the typed name and registration number.

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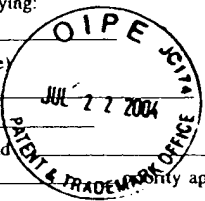
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Sir: Kindly acknowledge receipt of the accompanying:

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